

**PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO
DESIGNATED TRUCK ROUTES AND BROAD STREET IN CAMDEN, SC (SU28001)
Kershaw County**

Public Hearing

Meeting:

Tuesday, July 10, 2012, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., (formal presentation at 6:30 p.m.) in the Cafeteria/Commons Area at Camden High School, 1022 Ehrenclo Drive, Camden, South Carolina 29020.

Purpose:

The purpose of the proposed project is to create a more pedestrian-friendly environment and reduce truck traffic in downtown Camden. Proposed improvements will take place within three quadrants of the US 1 and US 521 Truck Routes and along Broad Street. The Broad Street Road Diet is a proposed lane reduction and transportation enhancement project along Broad Street/US 521 between York St (S-45) and Dekalb St (US 1). The proposed Preferred Alternative for the truck routes includes improvements to S-897 (Ehrenclo Dr) and S-45 (Chestnut Ferry Rd) from US 521 (Broad St) to US 1 (W. DeKalb St), Springdale Dr/Boykin Rd from Knights Hill Rd to US 521/601 (Broad St), and York St from US 521 to Rippondon St and continuing along Rippondon St from York St to US 1 (E. Dekalb St). Engineering, Right-of-Way and Environmental personnel from the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) will be available to answer questions.

Format:

From 6:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m., the hearing format will be informal. Large aerial displays of the project will be available for viewing, and project team members will be present to discuss the project with interested citizens, on an individual basis. Project details, including environmental documentation of the project's effects, will be provided.

At 6:30 p.m., SCDOT will make a brief, formal presentation about the project purpose and need, schedule and potential impacts to the environment. Immediately following the presentation, citizens will have the option to make formal, verbal comments regarding the proposed project. Anyone who wishes to verbally comment must sign up between 6:00 p.m. and 6:25 p.m. Each comment will be limited to two minutes and may not be transferred. At the conclusion of the formal comment period, the informal portion of the public hearing will continue until 8:00 p.m.

Process:

Project details including environmental documentation of the projects effects as well as maps and drawings of the proposed improvements will be available for viewing. Citizens may ask questions and provide comments, regarding the possible social, economic and environmental effects of the project. Property owners and business owners on or near the project area are urged to attend. A written response will be provided for all written comments which will be accepted until July 26, 2012.

Review:

Related maps and or drawings, environmental assessment and other pertinent data will be available for public review, at least 15 days prior to and 15 days after the public hearing, at the Kershaw County SCDOT Office, 512 S. Fair Street, Camden, SC 29021 (803-432-4358) as well as online at http://www.scdot.org/inside/public_hearings.aspx.

Additional information about the project may be obtained by contacting Mr. Tyke Redfearn, SCDOT Assistant Program Manager, at 803-737-1430 in Columbia, SC. Persons with disabilities who may require special accommodations should contact Ms. Lis Bleasdale at 803-737-1395.

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